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INFO: Chief of Station, Germany

SUBJECT { GENERAL Eric WENNER, @ Edward WENNER
SPECIFIC
REF: BONA-8906, 4 June 1956

Headquarters files have been checked for information on Subject, with the following results:

1. KUTVIN files contain numerous references to a WENNER, fn., Hauptsturmführer of the SIPO and SD in Paris from 1941 until August 1945, believed to be identical with Subject. WENNER was in charge of the visa section at the German Embassy in Paris during this period. An ID BOCOM report dated 29 June 1950 reports that WENNER, while not officially assigned to the Gestapo, was considered by all members of the Embassy staff as a Gestapo official and agent (D-2). He was the leader of Gruppe WENNER which was among other groups which converged on Nancy in the August 1944 evacuation of SIPO and SD from Paris. Circa January 1945 he was reported working in Leitzeltelle West. He reportedly left Hailigensberg at the end of March 1945. He was attached to Sonderkommando FANWITZ and was in Bielefeld, Germany, in April 1945 when the Sonderkommando moved from France to Germany. One report states that the FANWITZ group in Bielefeld, of which WENNER was a member, was involved in a serious plot to assassinate General Patton in early May 1945.

2. The German Prison List a Sturmbannführer WENNER of the SIPO and SD in Paris, believed identical with Subject.

3. KUTVIN files contain the following information on Erich WENNER:

- a. WENNER, Erich, Hauptst., member of Befehl VI B in 1945. Reported to have left Hailigensberg (sic) at the end of March 1945. At Bielefeld early May 1945. (Information dated 4 September 1945)
- b. WENNER, Erich: Amt IV RSHA. SS No. 169200. Promoted SS Hauptst. Amt IV RSHA (9 November 1943).
- c. WENNER, Erich: H.K.K. Amt II A 5 (RSHA) Berlin (13 March 1939). Ausweis No. 335.

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4. Background files contain the following information on Edward KILIAN & Edward KILIAN, who is identical with Subject:
- MEMO-5013, 19 January 1954, states that Edward KILIAN, known at the NSV as Edward KILIAN is chief of Section IV/6-a (German Desk) of the NSV.
 - MEMO-4775, 12 August 1954, mentions that Edward KILIAN, known at NSV as "Edward KILIAN" chief of the Section IV Branch of IV-6 is to be replaced by Dr. Fritz KILIAN. "KILIAN" heads the Polish IV Branch with KILIAN.
 - Edward KILIAN & Edward KILIAN, ex-destro member, of the NSV IV-6 Section, is credited in the current NSV reorganization as a study specialist on the Polish IV. (MEMO-571, 10 September 1954)

Note to COS: In view of Subject's past association with FANNIN, it is suggested that this information be called to the attention of COS.

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